

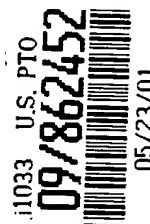
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1. Declaration/Power of Attorney;
2. 43 sheets of specification, 3 sheets of claims, 1 sheet of abstract;
3. 10 sheets of drawings;
4. Preliminary Amendment;
5. Charge Deposit Account No. 11-0600 in the amount of \$790.00 representing the fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16(a), (b) and (c).
6. Certified Copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-161122 filed in Japan on 26 May 2000 for which priority is claimed under 35 USC 119;
7. Information Disclosure Statement, form PTO-1449 with 3 references;
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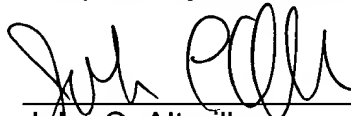
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**CLAIM TO CONVENTION PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119**

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The Convention Priority Date of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-161122 filed in Japan on 26 May 2000 was claimed in the Declaration/Power of Attorney filed with the application on even date. To complete the claim to the Convention Priority Date of said Japanese Patent Application, a certified copy thereof is submitted herewith.

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